

## National Weather Service Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena



December 2002 Time Local/ Path Length Path Number of Estimated Width Persons Damage **KENTUCKY**, Northeast **KYZ105** Lawrence 1400EST 0700EST 0 0 Winter Storm Snow accumulated 2 to 4 inches before changing to freezing rain and sleet. The freezing rain caused a quarter inch of ice to collect on trees and power lines. KYZ101>103 Greenup - Carter - Boyd 04 05 1500EST Snow 0800EST A snow accumulation of 3 to 5 inches was common. OHIO, Southeast OHZ066>067-075>076-Perry - Morgan - Athens - Washington - Jackson - Vinton - Meigs - Gallia - Lawrence 083>087 1900EST 1100EST Snow Snow accumulated 3 to 6 inches. OHZ066>067 Perry - Morgan 0300EST Winter Storm A quarter to a half inch of ice accumulated on trees and power lines from freezing rain. Temperatures were around 30 degrees when the freezing rain occurred. VIRGINIA, Northwest VAZ003 Dickenson 04 0 **Heavy Snow** Snow quickly accumulated 3 to 6 inches, before changing to sleet and freezing rain. Only a thin layer of ice was deposited from the WEST VIRGINIA, West WVZ005-013-015-024>027 Wayne - Lincoln - Kanawha - Mingo - Logan - Boone - Clay 3.5K Winter Storm Snow accumulated 1 to 3 inches, before changing to sleet and freezing rain. The freezing rain deposited a quarter inch of ice on trees and power lines. About 3,000 dwellings lost electricity, mostly in Wayne and Lincoln Counties. A large tree limb snapped off in Charleston, damaging 2 park cars. WVZ006-014-016-018-Cabell - Putnam - Roane - Calhoun - Gilmer - Lewis - Upshur - Barbour 029>030-039>040 1600EST 1100EST Snow Snow accumulated 2 to 4 inches. WVZ034>038 Wyoming - Raleigh - Fayette - Nicholas - Webster

Snow left a 2 to 4 inch cover, before changing to freezing rain. A quarter inch of ice accumulated on trees and power lines. Elevations above 2800 feet saw as much as 6 inches of snow and a half inch of ice.

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Time Local/ Length Width Persons Damage
Location Date Standard (Miles) (Yards) Killed Injured Property Crops Character of Storm

## WEST VIRGINIA, West

WVZ007>011-017- 019>020-031>032	Mason - Jackson - Wood - Pleasants - Tyler - Wirt - Ritchie - Doddridge - Harrison - Taylor				
	04 05	1900EST 1300EST	0	0	Snow
	Snow accumulated 3 to 5 inches.				
WVZ046>047	Pocahontas - Randolph				
	04 05	1900EST 1400EST	0	0	Heavy Snow
	Snow accumulated 3 to 8 inches.				
WVZ032-034>036- 039>040	Taylor - Wyoming - Raleigh - Fayette - Upshur - Barbour				
	25 26	1000EST 0200EST	0	0	Snow
WVZ037>038-046>047	Nicholas - Webster - Pocahontas - Randolph				
	25 26	1000EST 0600EST	0	0	Heavy Snow

On the 24th, a rain and snow mixture fell during the onset of a developing coastal storm. The mixture changed to mainly rain during Christmas Eve. As the coastal storm strengthened, backlash snows formed during Christmas morning. Snow accumulations of 3 to 12 inches occurred across Nicholas, Pocahontas, Randolph, and Webster Counties, with the upper range above 2800 feet. Valley Head and Pickens measured 7 inches, while Camden on Gauley had 8 inches. The higher terrain near Richwood had 10 inches of snow on the ground. Across Barbour, Fayette, Taylor, Raleigh, Upshur, and Wyoming Counties accumulations were on the order of 2 to 5 inches.